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# SOCIO-POLITICAL BUTTERFLY

# Jury promptly convicts killer

COURT

## Thomas Brine found guilty of murder in less than three hours

A jury has found a Winnipeg man guilty of first-degree murder in the death of a 73-year-old woman in a random attack.

It took less than three hours Wednesday for the jury to reach its decision about Thomas Brine.

Elizabeth Lafantaisie was killed at a Winnipeg parkade five years ago before her body was stuffed into the trunk of her vehicle.

During the trial, the courtroom was told Brine did not rape and kill Lafantaisie and was just the one who found her body in the trunk of a stolen car.

The trial was told Brine's DNA was found in semen obtained by a vaginal swab during Lafantaisie's autopsy, but his lawyer, Bruce Bonney, said that evidence should be disregarded.

Bonney tried to convince the jury there were two possibilities for reasonable doubt — first, that the officer taking notes at the autopsy might have made a labelling mistake.

Second, that the sperm might have been innocently transferred to Lafantaisie while Brine was looking through the vehicle's trunk.

However, crown prosecutor Brian Bell said the evidence against Brine was straightforward and plentiful.

Bell said the charge of first-degree murder is appropriate because the killer meant to cause bodily harm that could result in death, and because a sexual assault had occurred.

The jury agreed, finding him guilty Wednesday, bringing gasps of relief from Lafantaisie's family and tears from both her family and Brine's.

Brine will be sentenced Thursday morning.

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CJ, a German shorthaired pointer, is America's top dog after winning Westminster show.

Planning to fuel up snowmobiles for Arctic Ram started a year in advance to keep costs down. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

# Supply and command

## Logistics and planning vital to operations in the arctic

Whether it's fuelling 120 snowmobiles or 120 soldiers, it's a tall order in the high Arctic.

Tim McCagherty, chief of Arctic logistics at the Polar Continental Shelf Program (PCSP) in Resolute Bay, said the planning to supply operations like the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) ongoing Arctic Ram exercise starts more than a year in advance.

### Fuel

"We (had) a rough idea of some of the activities the CAF would be doing this spring, so actually in January last year we put in fuel orders," McCagherty said.

"That was then procured, went to Valleyfield (in Quebec), was loaded onto the sea-lift boats and was received here in September of last year."

Having that fuel specifically allocated for Arctic Ram and stored up north guaranteed the Arctic Response Company Group (ARCG) could take snowmobiles and fuel more than 150 km north of the PCSP and Arctic Training Centre (ATC) compound to complete the exercise.

Without the foresight to ship the fuel by boat, costs would rise significantly if fuel were air-lifted.

"I believe sea-lift last year was about $484 per tonne," McCagherty said. "So in comparison, to air-freight — for example from Ottawa to Resolute Bay on scheduled air service — is about $16 or $17 per kilo, so (there's) considerable saving."

### Food

Out in the field, the reservists with the ARCG are eating Spartan rations cooked in pressure cookers over camp stoves, or heated by chemical warming pouches.

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> Tim McCagherty

But at the shared PCSP-ATC meal hall, the menu more closely resembles a typical university cafeteria.

There's a variety of hot meals with everything from chicken dinners to roast beef, as well as chillis and home-made soups, plus a full salad bar and an abundance of fresh fruit.

Perishables obviously can't be stored long, so flights related to the operation are filled to maximum payload and often serve multiple purposes.

"The ATC brought up a bunch of staff to prep the snow machines, to do maintenance," McCaghaerty said. "On that charter, because we knew our numbers were going to be elevated… we actually used the (plane) to move that fresh fruit product into Resolute Bay, and then used it to haul their members back (south)….

"We actually utilized that aircraft fully, again cost split between the two (PCSP and ATC) so everybody benefits from it."

The plane came from Yellowknife, the northernmost hub that receives truck-transported goods.

Food costs out of there are "a little bit more expensive" than Edmonton or Winnipeg, "but not considerably more expensive" because of the road access into Yellowknife.

"The cost is substantially (better), in comparison, to Iqaluit, for example… if our supplier was out of Iqaluit, all of that food product is flown in… so it's a considerably higher rate," McCagherty said.

**FOOD COSTS**

**Prices in Iqaluit:**
1L of milk: $2.50
Loaf of white bread: $5
Head of lettuce: $4
Beef, 1Kg: $32

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

## Military testing renewable energy

In the white, barren tundra of Resolute Bay only two things are green: the Canadian Armed Forces' snow suits, and a prototype, portable power plant they brought with them.

Built by Sgt. Dominic Thomassin and his colleagues with the multi-brigade communications hub in Quebec City, the device consists of two cooler-sized batteries with input for all military communications gear, 12 100-watt solar panels and two wind turbines.

"They came (to Resolute Bay) three years ago… and the plane was delayed three days," Thomassin said. "They said, 'Okay, what happens if we are on the ice and we cannot get supplies — because if we have no fuel for the generator, we have no fuel to power the communication.'

"That's how it started… I said, 'Okay, I can build something.'"

A lineman by trade, Thomassin did research and found other applications of portable and green power generators, and decided to craft one specific to the CAF's needs. He tested it first in Goose Bay in 2013, and has since improved upon the design.

"In November, (the Arctic Training Centre) called me and said, 'Hey, we want to try it.' So they asked me to borrow it and try it here in Resolute Bay… I came with the power plant so if they have a problem, I can go out onto the ice and help them fix it," he said.

Altogether, the output is nearly 800 amp hours and each battery weighs about 800 lbs. Troops moved it onto the sea ice of Resolute Bay with heavy-duty sleds towed behind utility snowmobiles.

It has connections for all of the military's communications tools, Internet access for Thomassin to monitor its levels and control it remotely, and even booster outposts, "so if you want to boost an ATV or snowmobile you can."

Thomassin said the advantages are renewable energy that isn't dependent on a fuel resupply, silent operation — which adds tactical capacity — and the ability to store energy in temperatures as low as - 60 C.

"It's tactical, quiet, efficient, green," he said. "If they want to try it and it works, if it does the job, they will try to have one."

BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

# Police seeking witnesses in teen's disappearance

INVESTIGATION

## Parents urge Cooper Nemeth, 17, to return home

**Bailey Hildebrand**
For Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeg police are looking for two people who may know something about the disappearance of 17-year-old Cooper Nemeth.

Cooper has been missing since early Sunday after he was at a party in the Valley Gardens area of the city.

Police now say they're looking for two witnesses named Derek and Brittany who are believed to have been in a white four-door Honda Civic that morning.

When asked whether they recognized the names at a news conference Wednesday, both of Cooper's parents shook their heads.

Gaylene, his mother, wiped her tears as his father Brent pleaded for him to come home.

"Cooper, if you can see this, your friends need you, your team needs you, we need you," he said. "We love you, Cooper. Please come home and we can figure everything out. It doesn't matter. We'll take care of it."

Det. Sgt. Shauna Neufeld asked anyone who may know who Derek and Brittany are, or where they are, to come forward.

"We have information to suggest that these were two people that he spent some time with on that morning," Neufeld said. "We haven't been able to track them down and speak to them. We're interested in doing that. They're witnesses in this investigation."

Media reports say police have questioned two men with drug-trade ties in connection to the investigation, which Neufeld denied Wednesday. Neufeld also wouldn't comment on whether investigators had any physical evidence, like a backpack or cellphone.

"This is an active, ongoing investigation and we're not really able to get into any details like that at this time."

For the third day in a row, volunteers are meeting up at the Gateway Recreation Centre to search for Cooper and to canvass the city with flyers.

His father said he was very grateful to everyone who has helped so far.

"We would like to personally thank everyone from the bottom of our hearts for all the support and time they have dedicated to help bring Cooper home," he said. "All we want is for Cooper to come home safe."

**Cooper Nemeth's parents, Brent and Gaylene Nemeth**, plead for their missing son to come home. Cooper has been missing since the early morning hours of Sunday. BAILEY HILDEBRAND/FOR METRO

REACTION

## Power of a #hashtag

When Cooper Nemeth disappeared, his friends and family started a Twitter hashtag based on his nickname, Cip (pronounced Kip).

Since then, the hashtag #findcip has been used on Twitter and Facebook thousands of times as friends, family, media and strangers raise awareness of his disappearance and join together in worry and strength.

**@SiarraRose123**: I never knew Cooper but I hope he gets home safe and sound. Thoughts go out to him, his family, and his friends. #findcip

**@mut_bombers24**: #findcip Who is derrek and brittany! Everybody help find these people!!! We need to bring Cip Home!!

**@Madison_Earl**: I cannot even comprehend any of this, you are in my thoughts every moment and I pray that you are safe #findcip

**@kristinaapayne_**: It kills not knowing where u are, we all want you home and we're not going to stop looking till we find u & get you home safe cip #findcip

**@JaredCorlett**: River East.. feels so empty and depressing I don't even wanna go to school knowing one of our students is missing. #findcip

**@tyler_lem**: As sad as the disappearance of cooper is its amazing to see Winnipeg unite in such a desperate time of need. #findcip

**@ClaireHenrick**: endlessly praying for good news... we love and miss you cooper stay safe until we find you #findcip #findcip #findcip

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**The Millennium Library at 251 Donald St.** METRO FILE

## Millennium Library issue fixed

It was a classic open-and-shut case.

The Millennium Library, at 251 Donald St. downtown, was closed on Wednesday morning "until further notice due to a mechanical issue," said a statement from the city at the time.

The city then took to social media around 11:45 a.m.to announce the problem was resolved and the library had reopened.

The mechanical issue was the library's chiller system, said a city spokesperson.

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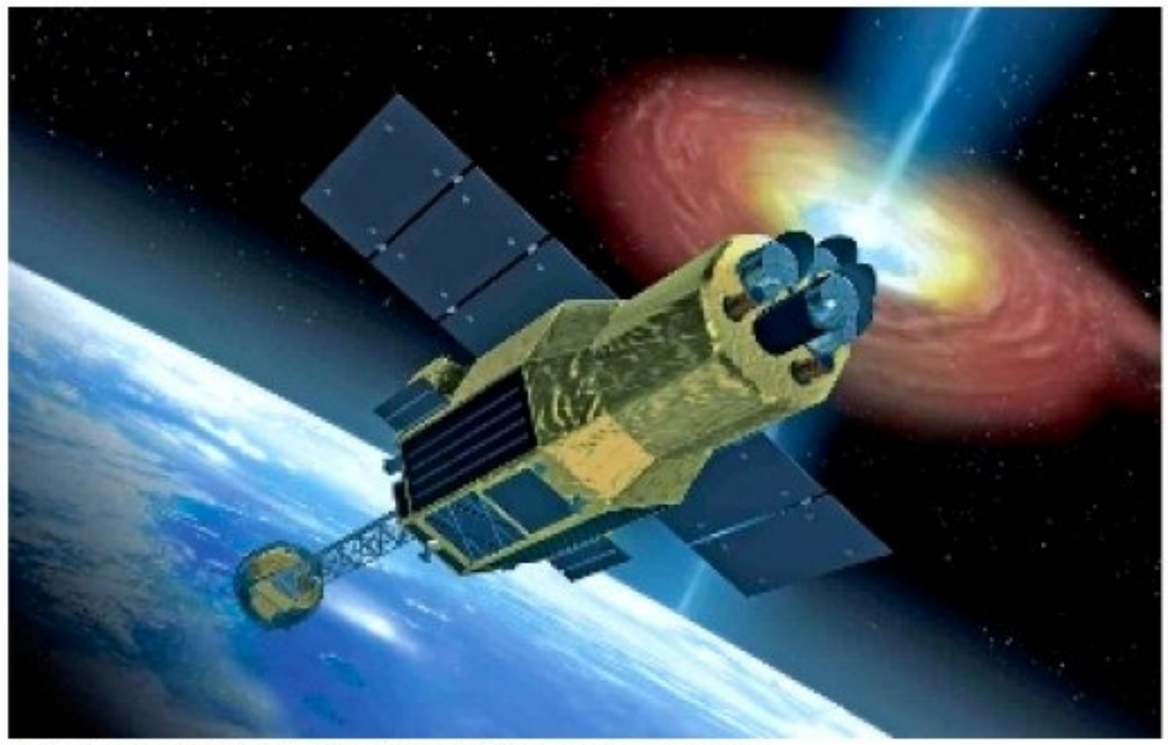

An artist's rendering of the ASTRO-H X-ray telescope. CONTRIBUTED

# Telescope to scour the universe in HD

SCIENCE

## Researchers, U of M team hope to uncover galaxy's secrets

**Bailey Hildebrand**
For Metro | Winnipeg

An X-ray telescope is now searching space for astronomical secrets with help from a University of Manitoba professor.

ASTRO-H was successfully launched from the Tanegashima Space Center in Japan at 2:45 a.m. Winnipeg time Wednesday.

The Canadian Space Agency provided its own laser technology, called the Canadian ASTRO-H Metrology System (CAMS), for the telescope. In return, three Canadian researchers will be part of the team studying the X-rays. That includes Dr. Samar Safi-Harb, a leader in Canadian supernova research out of the University of Manitoba.

Researchers are hoping the telescope will reveal in-depth detail about supernovas, black holes and galaxy clusters. They also hope to find a better explanation for how our own Milky Way galaxy was formed.

This is the first time astronomers will be able to see the universe in high resolution. The telescope's X-ray ability will also give researchers a closer look at how energy in space can create supernova explosions and other phenomena.

"This marks a unique time for Canada, having contributed both instrumentation and science to an international X-ray space mission, to be launched by JAXA (Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency)," Safi-Harb said in a news release.

> **"It's a great privilege to be part of this.**
> Dr. Samar Safi-Hard

"It's a great privilege to be part of this promising upcoming X-ray mission and to be collaborating with an excellent international team of scientists and instrumentalists."

According to JAXA, researchers are now calling ASTRO-H "Hitomi," a word for "eye," because it is "the eye to study the hot and energetic universe."

**ARTS JAZZ-INFUSED ALTERNATIVE FAIRY TALE ELECTRIFIES** The cast of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet's A Cinderella Story, which runs at the Centennial Concert Hall until Feb. 21, performs during a dress rehearsal. This unique take on the old-age story comes complete with vintage couture-inspired costumes, electric choreography melded with Richard Rodgers' music, all arranged for a live jazz orchestra by bandleader Ron Paley. CONTRIBUTED

# Developer bent on appeal

CITY HALL

## Rejection of Charleswood development raises eyebrows

Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Winnipeg

An appeal is on the horizon for an architecture group whose bid to build a new multi-family development in Charleswood was rejected "arbitrarily" by Winnipeg's planning department, according to a project manager.

Brian Wall, who is an owner at GW Architecture Inc., said they are planning to appeal a decision made by a city committee last week, following a staff recommendation not to OK revised plans to build a 65-unit residential building on the corner of Roblin Boulevard and Dieppe Road.

The problem, he says, lies not with the ruling of the committee, but rather with what he says is a lack of explanation by city planners as to why an improved proposal was rejected, when two years ago staff gave it the go-ahead.

**Coun. Russ Wyatt says despite explanation from city staff, he's not satisfied with the rejection of a Charleswood development proposal.** STEPHANIE TAYLOR/METRO

John Kiernan and Braden Smith, the city's head of planning, property and development and chief planner, respectively, explained the rationale behind the decision to Wednesday's executive policy committee, who eventually endorsed the rejection of the application.

Kiernan said there were numerous concerns with the site, such as the development's height, the cost of serving sewer and water and proximity to surrounding single-family homes.

"This would have been one of the densest infill proposals in Charleswood," he said, adding the development would have been "landlocked" on all four sides.

Wall, however, questioned how two years ago staff were in support of a taller building, which was even closer to property lines.

"In listening to the community concerns, we lowered the building, we made the building look more interesting, more residential. We respected property lines and buffered zones. We did everything the planner asked us to do. It's an injustice."

> **"It's easy to sit by and say, 'No' to an application, and to hide behind an administrative report because you have the power to get it changed.**
> Coun. Russ Wyatt

During Wednesday's meeting, councillors and staff vehemently dismissed accusations by Coun. Russ Wyatt, who said he suspected area Coun. Marty Morantz and Mayor Brian Bowman — who calls Charleswood home — may have pressured department staff in their decision.

Both council members refute the allegation.

Wyatt told reporters afterwards that he still stands by his comments, and has questions left unanswered.

"It's easy to sit by and say, 'No' to an application, and to hide behind an administrative report because you have the power to get it changed."

## UNDERPASS

**City's top committee approves project**

A $155 million plan to build an underpass on Waverley Street and Taylor Avenue has received the final OK before it heads to council floor next week.

On Wednesday, the city's executive policy committee endorsed the plan, which would see an underpass built at one of the city's busiest railway crossings.

Local consultant Ken Klassen reiterated his concerns about how the process unfolded. Awarding a $12.3 million single-source contract to Dillon Consulting Limited for design and construction work, and not conducting a cost-benefit analysis, were two such concerns.

The city's chief administrative officer, Doug McNeil, along with other public works staff explained the city does not evaluate projects on a strictly economic basis, as civic infrastructure does not generate taxes. Instead, staff rank projects using a points-based system, which also examines environmental impact, safety, etc. STEPHANIE TAYLOR/METRO

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CALGARY

# Zoo otter death blamed on pants

Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

An investigation by The Calgary Zoo has determined that 12-year-old otter Logan died last week after becoming tangled in a pair of pants.

The pants were an unauthorized enrichment item given to the otters, according to Colleen Baird, Calgary Zoo General Curator.

"It was human error," she said. "It was given to them in the back area, they took them out to the pool and our 12-year-old male otter Logan got tangled up in the pant leg and unfortunately drowned."

Baird said two staff members broke protocol and have since been disciplined.

It's not the first time accidents of this nature have occurred at the Calgary Zoo, according to watchdog and Zoocheck executive director Rob Laidlaw.

"They've had a lot of problems in the past, with doors closing on animals and gorillas with knives and you name it," he said. "Hopefully this is isolated and not part of all those problems that occurred in the past."

Laidlaw said this incident underlies the need for every person caring for these animals to make sure any sort of enrichment item doesn't pose a hazard to the animals.

Baird said authorized enrichment items include clams, mussels and PVC platforms to jump off of.

The otter habitat remains open to the public, although the remaining three otters will be monitored very closely for signs of distress following the death of Logan.

"So far they're behaving normally and acting fine," said Baird. "We're going to continue to monitor them as we do all animals here in the zoo. We're going to make sure we're not seeing any signs of odd behaviour."

**Logan, a 12-year-old North American River Otter, died last week in the otter pool.** COURTESY CALGARY ZOO

What you see at **TedCruzForAmerica.com.** SCREENGRAB

# Another U.S. senator gets pranked online

POLITICS

## Unofficial website makes jab at Ted Cruz's Canadian roots

The U.S. presidential race just got a little more amusing, if that's possible.

The usual hallmarks of a conservative Republican candidate — religious devotion to protecting gun rights no matter how bad the statistics get, relentless mentions of securing the border, maybe some homophobic sentiment — are nowhere to be seen on TedCruzForAmerica.com. (Cruz's official website, tedcruz.org, continues to work).

Instead, the site is redirecting to the Canadian government's immigration page, which offers instructions on your eligibility and links to apply for citizenship.

Ironically, one of Donald Trump's most commonly used barbs against Cruz is demanding he go back to Canada, his place of birth.

The redirect seems to be an attempt to undermine Cruz's political views, rather than a simple humorous move offering Americans a way out if he wins the Republican nomination and subsequently, the presidency.

The domain has previously redirected to the Human Rights Commission and U.S. government's health-care website, featuring the finer points of Obamacare.

Cruz, and Republican presidential candidates en masse, have repeatedly disparaged "Obamacare". The human rights redirect could be a reference to Cruz's views on abortion and criticism of Planned Parenthood.

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**Republican presidential candidate Sen. Ted Cruz** GETTY IMAGES

**INTERNET MISCHIEF**

**Website hijinks have been plaguing other presidential candidates:**

**Jeb Bush**
Since Dec. 8, JebBush.com has been redirecting to Trump's website.

**Donald Trump**
Another website proclaims to offer Americans an escape route into Cape Breton if Trump wins.

**Hillary Clinton**
HillaryClinton2016.com is packed with mock stories including: "Bernie Can Do It," "Liar Liar Pants on Fire," and "Hillary's Gender Fabrications."

WHISTLER

# Boy's ski-lift rescue goes global

Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

The quick actions of a lift attendant and a group of volunteers helped save a boy from injury after he fell off a chairlift at Whistler Blackcomb resort on Monday.

The 11-year-old boy slipped from the Peak Express Chairlift on Whistler Mountain around 1:45 p.m. after leaning off the edge of the chair to pick up a ski pole he had dropped while loading, the resort said in a statement Wednesday.

As the lift began to rise, others on the chair, including the boy's uncle, were able to hold him up before he slipped off completely, the resort said.

Whistler Blackcomb said the attendant immediately stopped the lift and grabbed a piece of equipment called a "fireman's net."

With the help of other skiers and snowboarders, the attendant set the net up below the chair to catch the boy, the resort said, adding that every lift operator at Whistler Blackcomb is trained to use the equipment in emergency situations.

The resort said the boy dropped about six metres into the net, and was not injured in the fall.

The chair's safety bar was not yet lowered when the boy slipped, Whistler Blackcomb staff said in a statement, adding that safety is paramount for the resort.

A YouTube video capturing the incident has made international headlines since it was posted Monday.

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**1** **Danish aid worker Anja Ringgren Lovén and "Hope,"** saved from the streets of Nigeria.

**2** **Nigerian toddler Hope** was abandoned by his family and left to die after he was accused of witchcraft.

**3** **"Hope is getting so much better,"** Lovén says.

ALL PHOTOS: COURTESY ANJA RINGGREN LOVÉN

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

# Nigerian 'witch' boy rescued

Photos of a starving Nigerian toddler have inspired a flood of donations to a little-known aid organization that seeks to rescue the growing number of children accused of witchcraft.

Danish aid worker Anja Ringgren Lovén posted photos of the emaciated little boy, whom she named "Hope," on Facebook on Jan. 31.

Lovén had received a tip that Hope, who was no older than three years old, was abandoned by his family and left to die in the streets after he was accused of witchcraft.

"When we heard that the child was only two to three years old, we did not hesitate," Lovén told Huffington Post UK.

"A child that young cannot survive a long time alone on the streets. We immediately prepared a rescue mission."

Lovén founded the African Children's Aid Education and Development Foundation (ACAEDF) three years ago after travelling to Nigeria and being confronted with dozens of children such as Hope, she told the Huffington Post.

> **When we heard that the child was only 2 to 3 years old, we did not hesitate.**
> Anja Ringgren Lovén

Hope was not her first rescue.

In 2014, many media outlets reported that ACAEDF had rescued two eight-year-old children who were accused of witchcraft by their family and tortured.

Poverty, the AIDS epidemic and wars have helped fuel the belief in witchcraft in sub-Saharan Africa, according to a 2010 report by UNICEF.

Often, children are blamed by those closest to them — their parents or guardians — for tragedies that are beyond their control, such as the death of a relative.

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REPUBLICAN RACE

# 'Torture works,' says Trump

"Torture works," Republican presidential front-runner Donald Trump declared Wednesday, repeating his vow to bring back waterboarding and approve other, tougher interrogation techniques.

"Don't tell me it doesn't work. Torture works, OK folks?" the brash billionaire told a crowd in South Carolina, site of the next Republican primary on Saturday.

Trump has repeatedly advocated enhanced interrogation techniques for foreign prisoners, and he said again Wednesday he would "absolutely" allow waterboarding, which simulates the feeling of drowning.

"But we should go much stronger than waterboarding," he said. "That's the way I feel. They're chopping off heads. Believe me, we should go much stronger because our country's in trouble, we're in danger. We have people that want to do really bad things."

> **Waterboarding is fine, but it's not nearly tough enough.**
> Donald Trump

"Waterboarding is fine, but it's not nearly tough enough," he added.

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# Heat is on around the world: NASA

METEOROLOGY

## 'Extraordinarily hot' weather is tied to climate change: Expert

Global average temperatures hit a record high last month, according to data released by NASA.

A record-breaking anomaly — an increase of 1.13 C — was also observed in January compared to the average temperature recorded between 1951 and 1980, NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies reported this week.

"It's a snapshot into the future," Deborah Harford, executive director of the Adaption to Climate Change team at Simon Fraser University, told Torstar News Service about the value of the data.

"It's useful because it can help us plan now for what we need to prepare for. One of the major changes in climate projected by climate models is that we'll have warmer, wetter winters. The fact that it's a hotter January is a good example of that," Harford said.

She said "extraordinarily hot" weather in recent years is tied to man-made climate change and processes like El Niño and the Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO), an El Niño-like pattern of ocean temperature changes in the Pacific Ocean basin.

A large band of territory across northern Canada, Alaska, Russia and the Arctic experienced the most pronounced warming last month, a map based on the recent NASA data showed.

According to Paul Beckwith, a part-time professor at the University of Ottawa specializing in abrupt climate change, the high Arctic is warming between five to eight times faster than the global average.

**12.9 C**

The study found that temperatures in **northern Canada, Alaska, Russia and the Arctic** were 4 to 12.9 C warmer than the 1951-1980 average.

Beckwith told Torstar that warming in the Arctic is changing the behaviour of jet streams, which in turn influences the frequency, severity and duration of extreme weather events like torrential rains and droughts.

Large parts of Canada have had very warm weather so far this winter, for example, while the East Coast has been hit with severe snowstorms due in large part to the evaporation of warmer surface water in the Atlantic Ocean, he said.

"The key point is the Arctic: What happens in the Arctic doesn't stay in the Arctic," Beckwith said.

"The Arctic changes are influencing weather patterns in the northern hemisphere severely ... and it's also affecting the southern hemisphere, as well."

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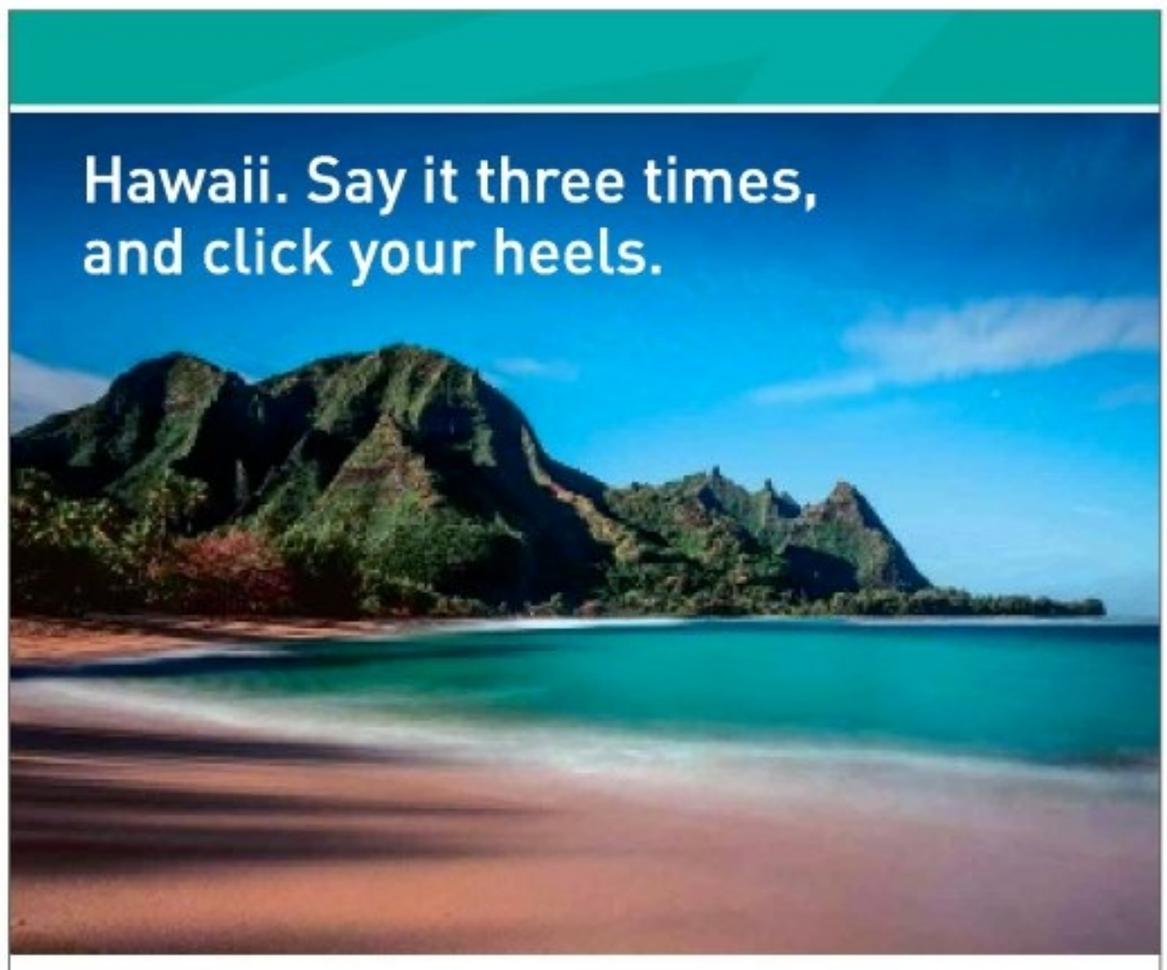
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# Recycling Ikea furniture

HOME DECORATING

## Expansion of retail giant's initiative part of green push

Ikea is looking at bringing a "take back" program to Canada that would allow customers to trade furniture purchased from the Swedish furniture giant in exchange for store credit.

Under the initiative, mirrored after similar environmentally friendly initiatives in France and Belgium, the retailer would then resell the items or recycle them.

"If we can have an impact on people's lives at home, we could have a huge impact on the environment," said Ikea Canada president Stefan Sjostrand at the opening of a pickup and order location in Whitby, Ont.

Sjostrand was part of the team that brought the program to France, and says the same could be done in Canada, where Ikea operates 12 stores and three pickup and order locations.

He conceded, however, that the program could still be years away because Canadian stores don't have the capabilities to take back items now.

The proposed initiative comes after Steve Howard, the head of sustainability at Ikea, told a conference in January that appetite for home furnishings in western countries has hit its "peak," prompting the world's largest furniture retailer to look at ways to encourage Ikea customers to repair and recycle.

Although it's taking a more planet-friendly approach to commerce, Sjostrand said this won't slow down its plan to open 12 more full-size stores over the next decade in Canada. The next location was recently announced for Halifax. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bedding items are shown at Ikea's latest pickup and order store in Whitby, Ont. Ikea Canada is looking to launch a "take back" program that would allow customers to trade old furniture for store credit. DANE COOTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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BOMBARDIER

# Company to lay off 7,000; inks jet deal

Bombardier announced Wednesday it will eliminate 7,000 positions over two years — more than a third in Canada — in the latest effort by the country's largest aerospace company to turn itself around as it awaits word of federal aid.

The Montreal-based firm said the layoffs will include 2,830 jobs in Canada, including 2,400 in Quebec. Nearly half of all the cuts would be at Bombardier Transportation, its rail division, which will lose 3,200 jobs.

**3,200**

Of the 7,000 jobs, about **3,200 will be from the rail division.**

The news resulted in an immediate call for federal assistance from the province's premier.

"I want to reiterate that there is no way — no way — that the federal government should not invest in Bombardier, in the CSeries," Philippe Couillard said in Quebec.

"If the auto industry has been supported by taxpayer money, which is fine, then the aeronautical industry of Montreal needs also to be supported."

Bombardier employs about 74,000 people around the world, according to its website.

The cuts will be partly offset by hiring in certain areas, particularly as Bombardier plans to ramp up production of the new CSeries jets, the company said. layoff notices are expected to be issued in the coming weeks and completed by next year.

Amid the bad news, there was a sign that Bombardier could be reviving its fortunes: a letter of intent that could see Air Canada buy 45 CSeries 300 planes, with an option to buy up to 30 more.

"We are delighted to announce this important agreement with Bombardier for the purchase of CS-300 aircraft as part of the ongoing modernization of Air Canada's narrow-body fleet," Calin Rovinescu, Air Canada president and CEO, said in a statement.

Bombardier CEO Alain Bellemare said the company is reviving its fortunes.

"We are turning Bombardier around," he said during a conference call. "We have a plan to make this great company stronger and more competitive." THE CANADIAN PRESS

PRIVACY

### Apple plans to fight order to unlock gunman's iPhone

Tim Cook THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Apple Inc. CEO Tim Cook says his company will fight a federal magistrate's order to help the FBI hack into an encrypted iPhone belonging to one of the San Bernardino, Calif., shooters. The company said that could potentially undermine encryption for millions of other users. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## CHANTAL HÉBERT: ON THE ASSISTED-SUICIDE VANGUARD

**In contrast with comparable debates, this one will see the Liberal party break with the tradition of allowing its MPs — even when it is in government — to vote freely on so-called issues of conscience.**

When the House of Commons votes on medically assisted suicide later this year, it will be making history in two controversial ways.

So far, only a handful of countries have included the option of assisted suicide in their end-of-life medical protocol. The upcoming federal legislation will be taking Canada in relatively uncharted social policy waters.

And then in contrast with comparable debates pertaining to the death penalty, abortion rights and same-sex marriage, this one will see the Liberal party break with the tradition of allowing its MPs — even when it is in government — to vote freely on so-called issues of conscience.

It is hard to quarrel with the notion that medically assisted suicide falls in the limited category of policies that stand to go against the deeply held personal convictions of some MPs. When it adopted a provincial law along similar lines, the Quebec national assembly held a free vote.

At the federal level, the Conservatives will not impose a party line on their MPs. Nor will the NDP. In contrast with reproductive rights, the New Democrats have historically not championed medically assisted suicide. They, like their Conservative colleagues, will be free to make up their own minds as to whether to support the bill.

But the Liberal decision to forego a free vote is part of a broader change designed to ensure Justin Trudeau's caucus walks the talk of the party's professed commitment to charter rights. That was not always the case in the past with divisions surfacing on votes on abortion and gay rights.

The new approach was part and parcel of the recent Liberal platform.

It could also be argued that forcing the party line on the majority Liberals removes any uncertainty as to the fate of the bill in the Commons.

The last time the House pronounced on the issue of medically assisted suicide an overwhelming majority of MPs — including an equally overwhelming majority of Liberals — voted against it by a margin of 228 to 59.

But that was at a time when the Supreme Court still held that the ban on the procedure was constitutional. Since then the top court has reversed itself.

Based on the recent past, that reversal would be grounds for many MPs to reconsider their position, regardless of whether the vote was a free one.

After the courts ruled in favour of same-sex marriage a bit more than a decade ago, many MPs who had previously supported the definition of marriage as a union between a man and a woman changed their stance.

To make supporting the bill even easier, MPs will not actually be asked to give the green light to medically assisted suicide. That ship sailed when the Supreme Court struck down the Criminal Code sections that prohibited it.

The main purpose of the federal legislation currently being drafted against a court-imposed June deadline is to avoid a patchwork system of end-of-life care by putting in place a common national framework.

All that being said, in its quest to present a united front on an issue involving a charter right, Trudeau's government may be doing a disservice to the debate and to the legislation that will result from it.

A government that cannot automatically count on its majority to get its way is more likely to be receptive to the arguments of all MPs. The opposition parties, in return, are more likely to feel they have a stake in the resulting legislation.

One of the strengths of the Quebec law is that it was supported freely by a majority of MNAs of every political stripe. The four parties came away from the discussion feeling they had all had real input in the process.

As a result, the Quebec law is not at the mercy of a change in government and — even as it remains controversial in some circles — it is hard to make a case that is the product of an artificially imposed consensus.

And then, in contrast with their elected colleagues, all senators will be free to vote as they please on the legislation. By foregoing a free vote in the House of Commons, Trudeau is inviting the groups that are lobbying against the measure to make their stand in the upper house.

**Chantal Hébert** is a national affairs writer. Her column appears in Metro every Thursday.

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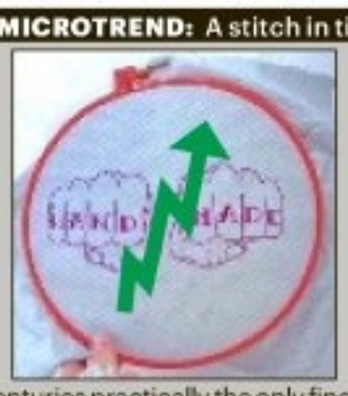
**THE MICROTREND:** A stitch in time



Embroidery, for centuries practically the only fine art form open to women, has gained a very 21st-century champion: Taylor Swift. The pop diva had a hoodie hand-stitched whimsically with her nickname, TayTay, and like many things rustic and retro, it was an instant hit on social media. Decorative sewing — on pillows, dish towels, wall hangings, clothes — was once an activity reserved for refined ladies in drawing rooms. Now it has taken on a decidedly punk flair (a related fad is "crass stitch." It's exactly what it sounds like). Major designers are releasing lines of embellished denim for spring, inspired perhaps by the ever-more-elaborate needlework showcased on Pinterest and Instagram. Much of it is designed digitally, then meticulously hand-sewn. And seemingly everybody is lining up to learn how: At an upcoming workshop in Toronto (two straight days of sewing!), the list of people interested outnumbers available spots by a factor of 20.

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## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

*metroview*

# No government has any business deciding who's press.

One year ago, Ezra Levant, king of right-wing punditry, launched a news website to "light a candle" after the death of Sun News Network.

He called it The Rebel, and promised to "rebel against the smug mainstream media.... Rebel against the idea that Jian Ghomeshi and Brian Williams are real journalists, but we're not, because we're direct-to-the-Internet."

Ghomeshi had been fired months before, but it was otherwise a prophetic statement: On Tuesday, Alberta's NDP government deemed that, no, The Rebel's staff are not real journalists.

"If you have testified under oath that you are not a journalist" — a disingenuous reference to Levant's claim to be a pundit, not a reporter — "then we don't consider you a journalist," it said in a statement, after banning two Rebel staff from press events in recent weeks.

Cue a national outcry over free speech. Cue Wednesday's backtracking of the ban: "It's clear we made a mistake," the premier's communications director said.

Indeed. No government has any business deciding who's press and who's not — least of all the Alberta NDP, which has enough problems as it is, chiefly the decimation of oil prices and its own dismal approval ratings.

In Alberta, reporters and photographers don't even have to be part of the provincial legislative assembly's press gallery (an organization of accredited media) in order to cover news conferences, said gallery president and Calgary Herald reporter Darcy Henton in a statement. He added the gallery's support for "the right of journalists to provide vigorous and diverse" political coverage.

That was a welcome shout-out from the "smug mainstream media" to The Rebel, which posted the statement. Elsewhere on its site, Faith Goldy, a former Sun personality, parodied the fiasco with a "coming out" video as a "real journalist." It's not funny (as she hopes) because it makes fun of LGTBQ people. It's funny because there's no definition of a "real" journalist.

This is an open and free profession. I don't have a degree in it. Anyone can start a news site. In Ottawa, BuzzFeed and Vice are in the press gallery. What I, or anyone, think of The Rebel's ideological slant is immaterial. It should have access to the government, like the rest of us, barring it doesn't break the law.

But the NDP? It can't even practise its own inclusive lefty idealism. Now it's having to review its media policies to save face, and The Rebel (predictably) has threatened to sue. But hey, that's its right.

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Gas Station Arts Centre | 7:30 pm | Tickets: $10
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**FEATURING:** Nikki Payne

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King's Head Pub | 9:30 pm | Tickets: $5 (18+ no minors)

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### 819.7 Free Comedy
Millennium Library | 12:15 pm | Tickets: Free
**CAST:** Jeremy Woodcock, Ashley Burdett, Paul Rabliauskas

### Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries Gala: Born This Way
The Pantages Playhouse | 7:15pm | Tickets: $37
**HOSTED BY:** Brent Butt
**CAST:** Phil Hanley, Jess Solomon, Nick Reynoldson, Kyle Bottom, Lara Rae, Andy Kindler

### Sketch Comedy Revue
Hosted by Kevin McDonald with special guests
Gas Station Arts Centre | 7:30 pm | Tickets: $15

### WCF Rumor's Comedy Club Series
Rumor's Comedy Club | 8:00 pm | Tickets: $12 (18+ no minors)
**FEATURING:** Jeremy Woodcock and Peter White

### WCF presents: Weird Al Karaoke
Jekyll & Hyde's | 9:00 pm | Tickets: $10 (18+ no minors)
**HOSTED BY:** Wes Borg

### The ALT Comedy Show
Gas Station Arts Centre | 10:00 pm | Tickets: $20
**HOSTED BY:** Seán Cullen

## FRIDAY, APRIL 8

### Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries Gala: Customs & Integration
The Pantages Playhouse | 7:15 pm | Tickets: $37
**HOSTED BY:** Craig Lauzon
**CAST:** Dan Taylor, Doug Mutai, Vishal Ramesh, Dave Merheje, Nour Hodidi, Martha Chaves

### Neighbourhoods
Gas Station Arts Centre | 7:30 pm | Tickets: $20
**HOSTED BY:** Bill Richardson

### WCF Rumor's Comedy Club Series
Rumor's Comedy Club | 7:45 pm | Tickets: $15 (18+ no minors)
**FEATURING:** Greg Morton

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### Coast to Coast Comedy
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### Tales from Late Night
The Park Theatre | 8:00 pm | Tickets: $20
**HOSTED BY:** Bruce Clark

### Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries Gala: Truth Bomb
The Pantages Playhouse | 9:15 pm | Tickets: $37
**HOSTED BY:** Mary Walsh
**CAST:** Danish Anwar, DeAnne Smith, Peter White, Adrienne Fish, Pete Johansson, Simon King

### Good People with Pete Johansson
The Park Theatre | 10:00 pm | Tickets: $15
**STARRING:** Pete Johansson

### WCF Rumor's Comedy Club Series
Rumor's Comedy Club | 10:30 pm | Tickets: $15 (18+ no minors)
**FEATURING:** Graham Clark

### CRUMBS & Friends
Gas Station Arts Centre | 10:30 pm | Tickets: $15
**HOSTED BY:** CRUMBS (Stephen Sim and Lee White)
**MUSIC BY:** DJ Hunnicutt

## SATURDAY, APRIL 9

### CBC's The Debaters
Club Regent Event Centre | 2:00 pm | Tickets: $30

### Dinner & a Movie The Princess Bride
The MET | 6 pm dinner + 7 pm movie
Tickets: $30 dinner and movie | $10 just movie

### Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries Gala: The 15th Anniversary Show
The Pantages Playhouse | 6:45 pm | Tickets: $37
**HOSTED BY:** Seán Cullen
**CAST:** Erica Sigurdson, Elvira Kurt, Nikki Payne, Darryl Lenox, Graham Clark, John Wing

### WCF Rumor's Comedy Club Series
Rumor's Comedy Club | 7:15 pm | Tickets: $17 (18+ no minors)
**FEATURING:** Dave Merheje

### The No Bro Show 3
Gas Station Arts Centre | 7:30 pm | Tickets: $20
**HOSTED BY:** Trish Cooper

### Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries Gala: All Geek to Me
The Pantages Playhouse | 9:15 pm | Tickets: $37
**HOSTED BY:** Naomi Snieckus
**CAST:** Mayce Galoni, Jeremy Woodcock, Cheryl Hann, Lori Gibbs, K. Trevor Wilson, Greg Morton

### WCF Rumor's Comedy Club Series
Rumor's Comedy Club | 10:00 pm | Tickets: $17 (18+ no minors)
**FEATURING:** John Wing

### All Foul, No Harm
The MET | 10:00 pm | Tickets: $20 (18+ no minors)
**HOSTED BY:** Nikki Payne

### "BLT" Comedy Show
Gas Station Arts Centre | 10:30 pm | Tickets: $15
**HOSTED BY:** Chantal Marostica

## SUNDAY, APRIL 10

### CBC's The Debaters
Club Regent Event Centre | 2:00 pm | Tickets: $30

### WCF presents Best of the Fest
Club Regent Event Centre | 7:00 pm | Tickets: $25
**CAST:** John Wing, K. Trevor Wilson, Jordan Welwood, Craig Lauzon, Erica Sigurdson, Graham Clark, Darryl Lenox, DeAnne Smith, Lori Gibbs

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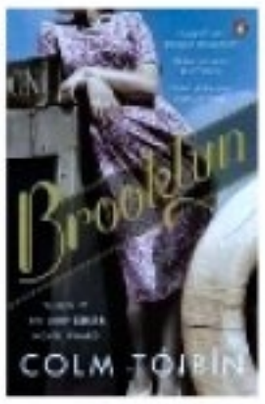
Original 1929 Oscar cast to make statuettes awarded in 2016

# THE BOOK VS. THE MOVIE WHICH ONE IS BETTER?

Hollywood's gone book crazy if the latest Oscar noms are anything to go by. Six movies in the best film, best director and best adapted screenplay categories were originally books. Which prompts us to ask the age-old question: which is better, the movie or the book? TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

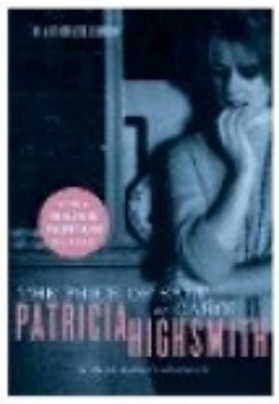
## 1 Brooklyn




**Based on the 2009 novel by Colm Toibin**

Brooklyn is one of those rare cases in which the novel and film complement each other rather than compete. The film brings a vibrant life to the story, while the novel allows for greater immersion and intensity. Each satisfies on its own, but they're best taken together.

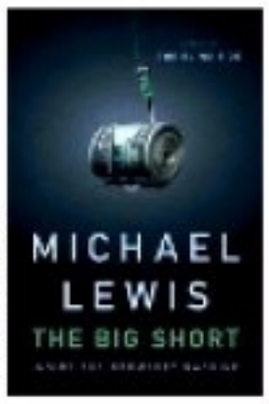
## 2 Carol




**Based on the 1952 novel The Price of Salt by Patricia Highgate**

Anyone who sees Carol should also be required to read The Price of Salt, to fully absorb the impact and significance of the story as well as the depth of what these people feel for one another. It's a love that defies convention but also one that is just like anyone else's.

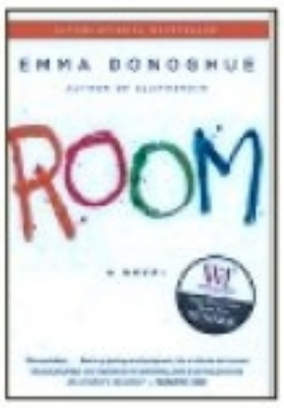
## 3 The Big Short




**Based on the 2010 book by Michael Lewis**

It's always tempting to come down on the side of the book, but a topic of such supreme denseness (we're talking subprime mortgages, collateralized debt obligations and credit-default swaps) needs all the help it can get. So the movie entertains and enlightens more than the book ever could.

## 4 Room




**Based on the 2012 book by Emma Donoghue**

The book asks more from us as all books do: to use our imaginations and interpret what we read through our own experience. But the movie was fantastic and evoked all of the emotions experienced while reading the book: fear, disgust, incredulity. So it's a bit of tie.

## 5 The Revenant

**Based in part on the novel The Revenant by Michael Punke**

The differences between the book and film are so significant as to raise questions about filmmaker Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu's motivations. Why a climactic showdown, rather than the ending of the book? Why change Glass's back story to include a native wife and son? The book is a subtler, stronger piece of storytelling, but there is no denying the primal force of the film.

## 6 The Martian

**Based on the 2014 book by Andy Weir**

The page-turning plot transfers largely intact from author Weir's page to director Ridley Scott's screen. The movie is the better version of the story. Scott is a master at putting sci-fi sagas and worlds onto the screen, having previously done so with Blade Runner, Alien and Prometheus.

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BOOK EXCERPT **THE WIDOW BY FIONA BARTON**

# 'My husband died three weeks ago'

**Fiona Barton** JUSTYN WILLIS

England's Fiona Barton is an international media trainer working in developing countries and was formerly a senior writer for the Daily Mail. She also worked as a news editor at the Daily Telegraph and as chief reporter at The Mail on Sunday. It was her experience covering notorious crimes and trials that inspired her to write The Widow, her first novel. The Widow, now in stores, is a psychological thriller that gives an acute portrait of a marriage in crisis.

I can hear the sound of her crunching up the path. Heavy footed in high heels. She's almost at the door, hesitating and smoothing her hair out of her face. Nice outfit. Jacket with big buttons, decent dress underneath and glasses perched on her head. Not a Jehovah's Witness or the Labour party. Must be a reporter, but not the usual. She's my second one today — fourth this week, and it's only Wednesday. I bet she says, 'I'm sorry to bother you at such a difficult time.' They all say that and put on that stupid face. Like they care.

I'm going to wait to see if she rings twice. The man this morning didn't. Some are obviously bored to death with trying. They leave as soon as they take their finger off the bell, marching back down the path as fast as they can, into their cars and away. They can tell their bosses they knocked on the door but she wasn't there. Pathetic.

She rings twice. Then knocks loudly in that rap-rap-rappity-rap way. Like a policeman. She sees me looking through the gap at the side of my net curtains and smiles this big smile. A Hollywood smile, my mum used to say. Then she knocks again.

When I open the door, she hands me the bottle of milk from the doorstep and says, 'You don't want to leave that out, it'll go off. Shall I come in? Have you got the kettle on?'

I can't breathe, let alone speak. She smiles again, head on one side. 'I'm Kate,' she says. 'Kate Waters, a reporter from the Daily Post.'

'I'm —' I start, suddenly realizing she hasn't asked.

'I know who you are, Mrs Taylor,' she says. Unspoken are the words: You are the story. 'Let's not stand out here,' she says. And as she talks, somehow, she's come in.

I feel too stunned by the turn of events to speak and she takes my silence as permission to go into the kitchen with the bottle of milk and make me a cup of tea. I follow her in — it's not a big kitchen and we're a bit of a squeeze as she bustles about, filling the kettle and opening all my cupboards, looking for cups and sugar. I just stand there, letting it all happen.

She's chatting about the units. 'What a lovely fresh-looking kitchen — I wish mine looked like this. Did you put it in?'

It feels like I'm talking to a friend. It isn't how I thought it would be, talking to a reporter. I thought it would be like being questioned by the police. Thought it would be an ordeal, an interrogation. That's what my husband, Glen, said. But it isn't, somehow.

I say, 'Yes, we chose white doors and red handles because it looked so clean.' I'm standing in my house discussing kitchen units with a reporter. Glen would've had a fit.

She says, 'Through here, is it?' and I open the door to the living room.

I'm not sure if I want her here or not — not sure how I feel. It doesn't feel right to protest now — she's just sitting and chatting with a cup of tea in her hand. It's funny, I'm quite enjoying the attention.

I get a bit lonely inside this house now that Glen is gone.

And she seems to be in charge of things. It's quite nice really, to have someone in charge of me again. I was beginning to panic that I'd have to cope with everything on my own, but Kate Waters is saying she'll sort everything out.

All I have to do is tell her all about my life, she says.

My life? She doesn't really want to know about me. She hasn't walked up my path to hear about Jean Taylor. She wants to know the truth about him. About Glen. My husband.

You see, my husband died three weeks ago. Knocked down by a bus just outside Sainsbury's. He was there one minute, giving me grief about what sort of cereal I should've bought, and the next, dead on the road. Head injuries, they said. Dead, anyway. I just stood there and looked at him, lying there. People were running round finding blankets and there was a bit of blood on the pavement. Not much blood though. He would've been glad. He didn't like any sort of mess.

Everyone was very kind and trying to stop me seeing his body, but I couldn't tell them I was glad he'd gone. No more of his nonsense.

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NEW BOOK

# The many ways to look at a fat girl

Anyone who has ever deleted an unflattering selfie or faced the mirror with a sigh will relate to some aspect of Mona Awad's series of connected stories, 13 Ways of Looking at a Fat Girl, published by Penguin Canada.

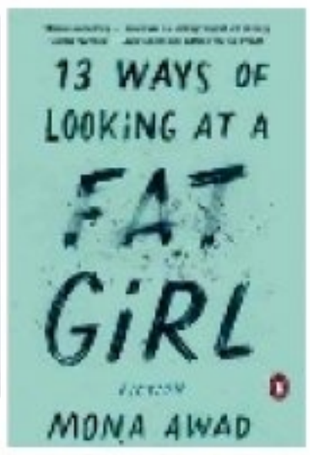
Drawing from personal experience, Awad digs deep into the complexities of body image, and how we see others and ourselves.

She first explored the topic through personal essays, but found real freedom and honesty through fiction. Told through 13 vignettes, the often-funny stories follow tough-minded yet vulnerable suburbanite Lizzie as she transforms from a "fat girl" teenager to a food-obsessed thin woman.

The book travels with young Lizzie from Misery Saga (a.k.a. Mississauga) and the goth clubs of Toronto's Queen West neighbourhood to an adulthood marked by body-conscious health clubs and boutique clothing stores.

"There are all these different ways in which body image affects our lives, and certainly that what I observed with other people who have struggled with this," Awad says.

"I was interested in how body image affected the dynamics in friendship, and how it affected your relationship to sex, to your husband, to your mother, to clothes and food and yourself,




**Mona Awad.** CONTRIBUTED

and how that might change — or not — depending on how you feel about your body."

Although Lizzie loses weight and develops into a thin adult, her former self never completely vanishes.

She later returns to the plus-sized clothing store Addition Elle, the scene of much teenage distress and frustration with its proliferation of glittery, rhinestoned animal-patterned shirts.

In a short, taut story named after the store, Awad deftly sums up the complex emotions many of us face at one point or another in a dressing room.

"It's just clothes but the relationship is just so charged," says Awad.

"Addition Elle really unlocked something for me. There's a lot of anxiety there, a lot of desire, and hope and frustration."

Awad, who grew up in Montreal and Toronto, and is now pursuing her PhD in creative writing and English literature at the University of Denver, wrote 13 Ways of Looking at a Fat Girl in part because she observed a lack of narratives that handle body image in a way she desired.

"I wanted to explore the underside and complications around transformation, and ask the question: when you change, can you really change? Do you leave a former self behind, or is it still informing the way you are in the world and interact with people, and the way you see yourself?" SUE CARTER/METRO

Sue Carter is the editor at Quill & Quire magazine.

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MEET THE CONDO

# Luxury living in St. Boniface

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## Project overview

With a million-dollar view of the Red River and downtown Winnipeg skyline, condominiums along Tache Avenue in St. Boniface have proven to be popular indeed. Mode Tache is no exception. In fact, only a single unit remains in this luxury development in the city's bustling French Quarter. Top notch dining and attractions — plus easy access to downtown — add to the allure.

## Location and transit

Just steps off Provencher Boulevard, residents are immediately immersed in St. Boniface's French-Canadian charm with cafes and shops bearing French names. A series of walkways, a pedestrian sculpture garden and the annual Festival du Voyageur make it easy to love this neighbourhood. It's a quick transit ride or a pleasant walk over the Esplanade Riel into the Exchange District or downtown.

## In the neighbourhood

It's hard to beat the buzz of St. Boniface. Residents never have to go far to catch live music, pick up a new book or indulge in endless options for fine cuisine. Le Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain and La Maison des Artistes Visuels both just a short walk away, along with Le Circle Moliere, offer cultural experiences.

## Housing amenities

Expansive terraces and oversized walk-in closets are the norm at Mode Tache. Each unit boasts big windows to capture those stunning views. Nine-foot ceilings paired with a decidedly contemporary flair give these condos big appeal. Heated underground parking is included. And there's a big main floor common terrace for an evening under the stars. SHEL ZOLKEWICH/ FOR METRO

### NEED TO KNOW

**What:** Mode Tache
**Builder:** StreetSide Developments
**Designer:** David Goyer Architecture
**Location:** 750 Tache Ave.
**Building:** Four floors, 22 suites
**Sizes:** 584 sq. ft. to 1,992 sq. ft.
**Pricing:** $542,850 for the remaining 1,992 sq. ft. unit
**Model:** One to three bedrooms, with one or two bathrooms
**Status:** Now selling
**Occupancy:** Pending selections
**Sales Centre:** By appointment only
**Phone:** 204-793-1000
**Website:** modetache.com

PROJECT

# Create your own mini garden with these DIY terrariums

Terrariums continue to trend, and for the plant-obsessed urban dweller they are a great small-space solution. A miniature garden under glass is a fun and easy way to add a little greenery to an indoor space. A great gift for a green thumb, all that's required are a few materials from your local garden shop to create a stylish tabletop garden.

**Step 1: Gather and shop for the supplies**

- Glass containers
- Plants
- Activated charcoal
- Soil
- Small stones or pebbles

**Step 2: Add a layer of stones to the container**

Add a 1" (2.5-centimetre) layer of stones or pebbles to a clean, dry glass container. The stones will help provide drainage.

**Step 3: Add a layer of charcoal to the container**

Add a ½" (about 1 centimetre) layer of charcoal on top of the stones. This will help keep the soil free from mould.

**Step 4: Add soil to the container**

Add enough soil to the container to allow your plants to fit comfortably.

**Step 5:Add plants**

Place your plants in the soil. Add a little extra soil to cover the roots and cover the plants evenly. Place the terrarium in location that gets indirect light. Water lightly and enjoy.

Tip: Terrariums tend to thrive in a well-lit space with indirect light. Don't overwater. If the plants look a little droopy or the soil is dry it is time to lightly water. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

**Terrariums are still on-trend and are a great way to bring some green into a small, urban space.**
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# The new nursery for 2016

TRENDS

## Everything from gender neutral to baby glam goes

Baby, it's a brand new year. And when it comes to creating the perfect sleep space for little ones, there are more fun options than ever. Styles range from haute to homespun, vintage to vanguard. A look at some of the best:

Interior designer Naomi Alon urges parents to use baby rooms as a space to let their own imaginations run wild. HANDOUT

> **The nursery is just as much about the parents as it is about the baby, and making it a place where mom and dad feel comfortable is key.**
> Naomi Alon, Interior designer

### Blurring the lines

Traditional parameters like gender-specific motifs and colours, and room-specific furnishings, are giving way to a more free-spirited approach. Designers are deploying to the nursery dressers, credenzas, art, lighting, mirrors and seating more typically found in grown-up rooms like the master, dining or living room.

Joanna Gick and Jennifer O'Dowd, interior designers in Scottsdale, Ariz., like to use vintage dressers, toys and books as nursery inspiration. Art's a big element, too.

"Gallery walls seem to be a hot trend," Gick says. "The fun thing about them is they're totally customizable to the child's interests, and easy to swap out as they grow. We like to use mixed media — prints as well as wood and metal sculptures — to create a really interesting gallery."

### Baby glam

Parents-to-be should view the baby's room as a place to let their own imaginations fly, says Naomi Alon, owner of the Irvine, Calif.-based Little Crown Interiors.

"I encourage my clients to think about the nursery as their inner child's fantasy space," she says.

"This is the one room in their home where they can get away with neon pink wallpaper or an over-the-top chandelier. The nursery is just as much about the parents as it is about the baby, and making it a place where mom and dad feel comfortable is key."

In one of Alon's favourite projects, a nursery in Newport Beach, Calif., she used pink and gold damask wallpaper, a baroque mirror, organza furniture skirts and a big fluffy rug to create a glamorous, girly confection.

Los Angeles duo Emily Current and Meritt Elliot designed gold, arrow-shaped lamps and finials, and gold-woven storage bins for their new Pottery Barn Kids collection. A bold, black-and-white diamond pattern graces a quilt. RH Baby & Child's new collection features upholstered cribs resembling wing chairs; conversion kits allow them to be turned into beds down the road. There's a big selection of chandeliers, too.

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# Blue Bombers' flurry of signings brings hope

VIEW FROM THE 300S

**Andrew 'Hustler' Paterson**

It's a make-or-break season coming up for the men in charge of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers' on-field product.

After four consecutive seasons of missing the playoffs, there will be no next year for Kyle Walters and his staff without considerable improvement in the win column.

With this in mind, it was no shock that Walters opened up the wallet in a big way last week when CFL free agency began. What may have surprised many, though, was how Walters was able to successfully lure so many of the top available players to a team where wins have been scarce as of late.

> **It's refreshing to see the Bombers being so successful in attracting their targeted free agents.**

On paper, the Bombers came out the big winners of the CFL's free agent frenzy, improving the team with new impact players on offence, defence and special teams.

On the offensive side of the ball, Walters made a big splash inking Winnipeg native and perennial all-star running back Andrew Harris to a deal to come home from B.C., along with his backup with the Lions, Pascal Lochard.

Drew Willy got another exciting new target when the team signed receiver Ryan Smith from Saskatchewan to join former Roughrider and fellow North Dakota native Weston Dressler in blue and gold. Veteran Jeff Keeping was added from Toronto to shore up the offensive line.

Defensively, the Bombers addressed the line in a big way, adding defensive tackles Keith Shologan from Ottawa and talented 24-year-old Euclid Cummings from the Toronto Argonauts.

Justin Medlock, the CFL's best place kicker, was also signed, coming over from the Hamilton Tiger-Cats to replace Lirim Hajrullahu, who struggled last season. This is a critical improvement for the Bombers special teams unit.

The results of the flurry of signings were felt immediately. Local sports radio lines were jammed with Bombers fans applauding the aggressive moves by Walters and the Bombers, expressing a level of optimism about the team not seen around here for quite a while.

More importantly for the club, a large number of season-ticket holders who were on the fence about renewing for 2016 anted up after the announcements, and the team also saw a nice surge of new season-ticket sales last week.

Regular-season wins, playoff appearances and championships are not won on paper or in the off-season. But for a team and a fan base that had a rough go of it in recent seasons, never mind the 25-year Grey Cup drought, it's refreshing to see the Bombers being so successful in attracting their targeted free agents to Winnipeg.

The Bombers need to win this year. The pressure is on Walters, coach Mike O'Shea and everyone in the organization to put on a better product for Manitoba football fans.

Last week's signings were a great start to doing exactly that.

**Blue Bombers ticket sales jumped in the last week after the team bolstered its roster with the likes of Winnipeg native Andrew Harris, left.** ANDRE RINGUETTE/FREESTYLE PHOTOGRAPHY/GETTY IMAGES

BOXING

## Nike dumps Pacquiao

Manny Pacquiao's comments disparaging gays have cost him his contract with apparel giant Nike.

The company issued a release Wednesday saying it has dropped the Filipino boxer after he was quoted as saying gay people "are worse than animals."

Nike called Pacquiao's comments "abhorrent" and said the company strongly opposes discrimination of any kind and has long stood up for the fights of gays.

Pacquiao, who meets Timothy Bradley on April 9 in what could be his last fight, apologized Tuesday for the remarks made a day earlier. In them, Pacquiao said it was just common sense that animals are not gay.

Pacquiao, who is running for a Philippine Senate seat, made the remark in a video posted Monday on local TV5's election site. He also said animals are better than people in same-sex relationships, because they recognize the difference between males and females.

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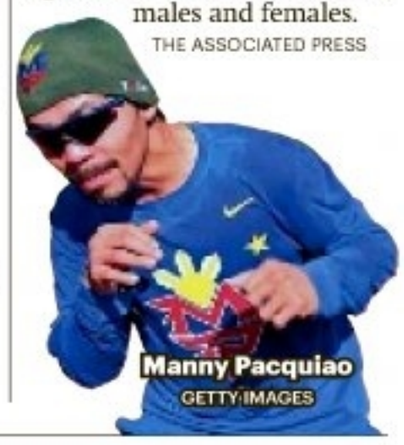

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**Manitoba skip Jennifer Jones** celebrates after winning the Scott Tournament of Hearts women's curling championship in 2005. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

# Hanna-Jones reunion sparks 2005 memories

CURLING

## Now legendary shot earned Manitoba skip Scotties title

Jenn Hanna knows what's coming. The Ontario skip is prepared for the reminders of Jennifer Jones's final stone the last time they met at a Canadian women's curling championship.

Up two points coming home without hammer, Hanna's team from Ottawa was on the verge of a national title at the 2005 Scotties Tournament of Hearts in St. John's, N.L.

But Jones made a shot that became part of curling lore. The Manitoba skip deflected the game's final stone off a corner guard outside the rings and rolled to the button to bump out Ontario's shot stone buried behind guards. Jones scored four for the victory and her first Scotties win.

"It's probably the highest I've ever jumped," Jones says now. That walk-off, "in-off" shot has almost two million views on YouTube. It was a shot that altered the futures of both teams.

The television replay of the shot will be back in heavy rotation during the 2016 Canadian championship starting Thursday in Grande Prairie, Alta., as Hanna returns to the Scotties for the first time since 2005.

Ontario and defending champion Jennifer Jones meet in the round robin Feb. 25 at Revolution Place.

"Maybe I'll guard the in-off if it gets to that. Just kidding," Hanna said.

As deflating as the title slipping away was to a 26-year-old rookie skip, Hanna looks back at St. John's with no regrets 11 years later. Her team won two sudden-death tiebreakers just to get into the playoffs. They forced Jones to execute a low-percentage shot perfectly for the win.

**Jenn Hanna was gracious in defeat in '05.** THE CANADIAN PRESS

"Any time people bring that up to me, I get the 'oh, you probably don't want to talk about it,'" Hanna said. "Really, there's nothing about having lost that way that bothers me. We had a really great game and she was meant to make that shot and win that way. We did everything we could in that week. We didn't leave anything out there."

> **She (Jones) was meant to make that shot and win that way. We did everything we could in that week. We didn't leave anything out there.** Ottawa curler Jenn Hanna

The national championship starts Thursday with British Columbia, Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut in a pre-qualifying tournament to gain entry into the 12-team main draw starting Saturday.

The top four teams after the preliminary round make the Page playoff. The winner of the Feb. 28 final represents Canada at the women's world championship March 19-27 in Swift Current, Sask.

Jones, third Kaitlyn Lawes, second Jill Officer and lead Dawn McEwen are chasing a second straight Canadian title. The Winnipeg foursome went undefeated to win Olympic gold in Sochi, Russia, in 2014.

Jones and Officer have won five Canadian titles together with McEwen in on four of them. But back in 2005, McEwen was Hanna's second in St. John's and on the losing end of her future skip's historic shot.

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## IN BRIEF

**Ronaldo stars as Madrid win first leg against Roma**

Cristiano Ronaldo ended his away scoring drought with an impressive second-half goal as Real Madrid won 2-0 at Roma on Wednesday in the first leg of the Round of 16 in the Champions League.

The victory also marked a successful debut for Zinedine Zidane as Madrid's manager in the elite competition, with the 10-time champion taking a big step toward the quarterfinals. The night's other first-leg match saw Wolfsburg beat AA Ghent 3-2 in Belgium.

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**Commissioner Bettman upholds Wideman's ban**

Commissioner Gary Bettman upheld Calgary Flames defenceman Dennis Wideman's 20-game suspension for cross-checking a linesman.

The NHL announced the appeal decision Wednesday.

Wideman met with Bettman at a hearing in New York last week after the player appealed the suspension handed down Feb. 3.

Wideman knocked down linesman Don Henderson during the Flames' game against Nashville on Jan. 27.

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**Eskimos sign defensive end and free agent Oramasionwu**

The Eskimos have signed free-agent defensive end Don Oramasionwu, bringing him back to Edmonton for a sixth season. Oramasionwu has amassed 104 defensive tackles, eight quarterback sacks and three forced fumbles in 101 career CFL games.

He was originally selected by his hometown Winnipeg Blue Bombers in the 2008 CFL draft. The six-foot-two, 290-pound lineman spent three seasons with the Bombers before signing with Edmonton as a free agent on 2012. THE CANADIAN PRESS


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## OMG: NETHERLANDS OPENS "POOP BANK"

Dutch researchers have now opened the country's first "poop bank" in a rare and cutting-edge branch of medicine to treat people with chronic gut infections.

"Our poop bank will help give doctors and hospitals access to transplants of fecal matter," Ed Kuijper, professor of microbiology at Leiden University, told AFP.

The Netherlands Donor Feces Bank (NDFB) will collect, store and distribute the stools necessary to help with such transplants.

Often this is the "only solution for people suffering from chronic intestinal infections, and in particular Clostridium difficile (CD)," a bacteria which can develop in patients particularly after lengthy and heavy courses of antibiotics, Kuijper said.

"Certain antibiotics destroy intestinal flora which allows bacteria to develop and spread," he explained.

"Transplants of fecal matter allow healthy bacteria to be put back into the body, which then spread in the intestines and recreate healthy flora in the gut."

There are about 3,000 people diagnosed with CD annually in the Netherlands, and about five percent of cases become chronic. About three to four transplants of fecal material are carried out in the country every month.

Donors must be "in good health, neither too overweight or too skinny and must have good intestinal flora," said Kuijper.

Unlike in the U.S., where the first two poop banks were opened last year, donors are not paid. AFP


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## IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

**Aries** March 21 - April 20
You should feel an easing of the restrictions, especially financial restrictions, that you have been laboring under in recent weeks. However, that is not an excuse to go on a spree.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21
You have important things to do and only a limited amount of time in which to do them. But sharing the load with friends and colleagues will mean sharing the rewards as well.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21
Keep a cool head and don't let anyone tempt you to do something silly. The planets will put some way-out ideas into your head over the next 24 hours but, on this occasion, they are the kind of ideas you must reject.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23
You know you're in the right and you know that no one can stop you from following the path you've chosen to take. So why do you still hesitate?

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23
Money worries seem to be on your mind a lot of late but there is no reason to panic. What is the worst that could happen? And if it did happen, would it really be so bad? Expect some positive financial news.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You may think you understand what makes a partner tick but something will happen that makes you realize just how little you really know about them. Never mind. You will get the chance to know them better.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Get over the idea that you must do it all on your own, especially on the work front. No matter how ambitious you are you'll reach a point when you can't go further without assistance. Ask for it and you will get it.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Know what you're getting yourself in for before backing someone else's creative venture. Just because you trust them does not mean they know what they're talking about.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Minor disagreements could easily get out of hand over the few days, so think before you speak and, if someone says something you do not agree with, don't make an issue of it.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
It may seem as if the world is ganging up on you but that is an illusion and you know it. Others are not blaming you for what has gone wrong, they are just pointing out where they think you could have done better.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Don't worry if your cashflow is weak, because when the Sun changes signs tomorrow you will find new ways to make money. Of course, that will only be of benefit if you don't find ways to immediately spend it!

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20
The Sun enters your sign tomorrow you will enjoy a surge of energy. Today, however, you should take things easy and make your plans.

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## RECIPE Sweet Corn Fritters

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**Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh**
For Metro Canada

Using pantry staples and a few fresh ingredients, these corn fritters remind us of the goodness of summer's sweet corn on a chilly, wintery night.

**Ready in**
Prep time: 10 minutes
Total time: 30 minutes
**Makes: 14 silver dollar-sized cakes**

**Ingredients**
- 2 cups frozen corn
- 2 eggs
- 1 zucchini, grated
- 1 carrot, grated
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced green onion, plus more for garnish
- 1/2 cup spelt flour
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 2 Tbsp grape seed oil

**Directions**
**1.** In a medium sized mixing bowl, whisk the eggs and corn together. Stir in the carrot, zucchini and green onion. Add the flour and salt and mix well.
**2.** Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat and then drop heaping tablespoons of batter into skillet. Press down on the batter to form a pancake.
**3.** Cook the pancake until it's golden brown and then flip and cook on the other side.
**4.** Remove pancakes from the pan and place on paper towel. Serve with sour cream, a sprinkle of green onions and a side salad.

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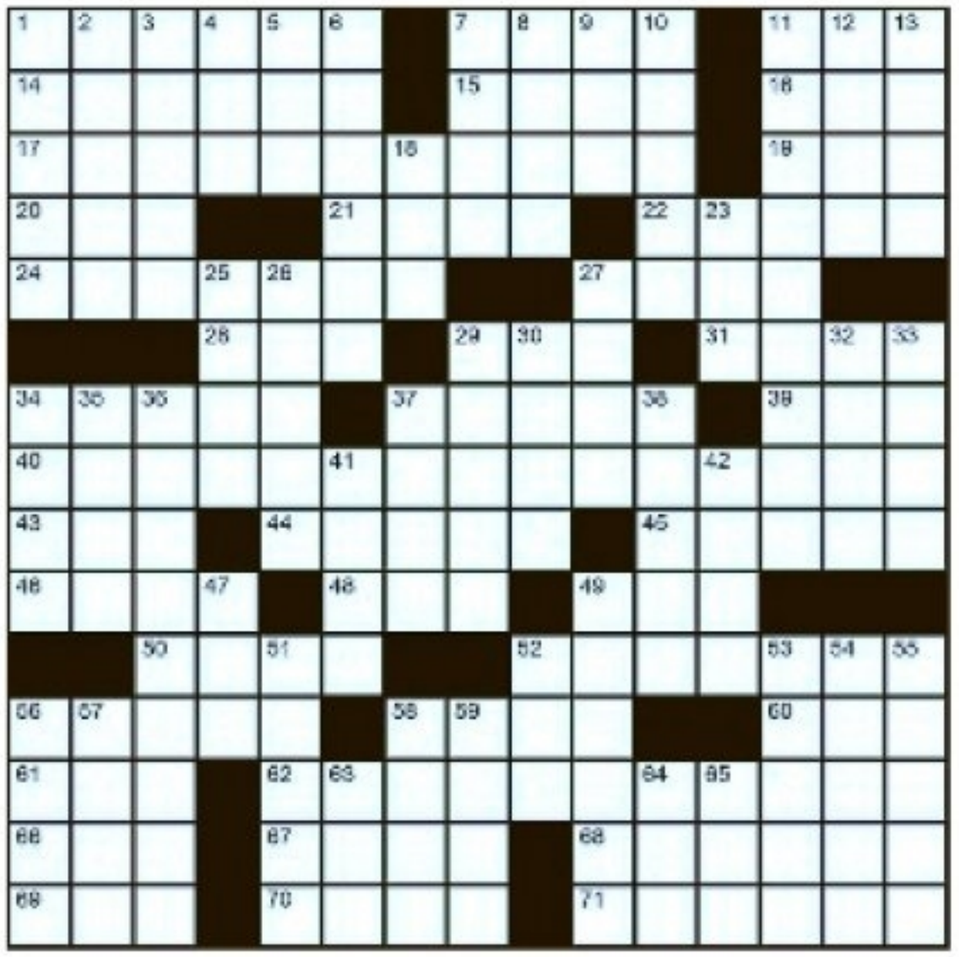

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46. Virtually
48. "The _ Squad"
49. Mister, in India
50. Retain
52. Error
56. Orange variety
58. Plaintiff
60. Mariner's dir.
61. Mode's 2-word intro
62. "Don't You Forget About Me" on #1-Across was originally a 1985 hit for what band?: 2 wds.
66. 'Oldes' partners in pub names
67. _ out a living
68. In, in other words
69. Established
70. Like Mother Nature's morning coat
71. Music enhancer

**DOWN**
1. Rushes
2. Student: French
3. _ _ suit (Didn't dress casually)
4. 'Salt' suffix
5. U.S. intelligence org.
6. Sweater sleeve style
7. Jamie of "M*A*S*H"
8. Suggested nutritional amts.
9. 'Velvet' suffix
10. Lemon _ (Food flavourer)
11. Wrigley's gum flavour
12. Petroleums
13. Photography needs, briefly
18. Slamming sound!
23. Farm field
25. Lunchtime lumpful
26. Transplant in the greenhouse
27. Catherine _ (Wife of Henry VIII)
29. Chose
30. Regard
32. President's _ Office
33. Reality star Ms. Richards (Paris Hilton's aunt)
34. "Mission: Impossible" actress Barbara
35. Emerald entity
36. When #17-Across gets served usually
37. Mr. Preminger
38. Mideast chieftains [var. sp.]
41. Lark about
42. Ancient Egyptian goddess
47. NHL official
49. Sea nymphs
51. Alleviated
52. Funnyman Mr. Brooks
53. Luciano Pavarotti's voice
54. Provide, as with a trait
55. Basil/pine nuts sauce
56. T.O. baseballers
57. Sailing side
58. Type of diving duck
59. _-daisy
63. 34th Pres.
64. Word: French
65. 'Meteor' suffix

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